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May 22, 2014

Ms. Gerri Doyle
Senior Transportation Planner
600 NE Colbern Road
Lee's Summit, Missouri 64086

I do hereby certify that in accordance with the requirements of 23 CFR 635.411(a)(2), this patented or proprietary item is essential for synchronization with existing highway facilities.


State Design Engineer

**Re: STP-9900(255)
Public Interest Finding**

Dear Ms. Doyle:

The City of Slater request approval of a finding in the public interest to utilize two R-5900-D and two R-5900-G manhole rings and covers manufactured by Neenah Foundry Company for the above referenced project.

The City of Slater request the R-5900-D manhole rings and covers be utilized because they are the only size available to fit the new lids for the existing storm water inlet boxes. We request the R-5900-G manhole rings and covers because these are essential for synchronization with existing manhole covers found throughout the City of Slater. By specifying the same products that are used throughout the city, there will be a cost savings and ease of maintenance in the future.

Please let me know if you need additional information or have any questions.

Very truly yours,



Russell E. Griffith
Assistant Administrator